

REMARKS

Claims 30-31 and 37-39 have been amended. These amendments do not narrow the scope of these claims. Additionally, new claims 40-51 have been added. Claims 1-51 are pending in the application.

In Amendment B, claims 1, 7, 24-25, 28, and 34-36 were amended. The Advisory Action of October 13, 2005 indicated that these amendments would be entered and hence these amendments are not repeated in the present Amendment C.

In the Advisory Action the Examiner maintained the rejections of claims 1-39.

Applicants continue to traverse these rejections and a request for continued examination has been filed to permit the Applicants to conduct an interview with the Examiner concerning these rejections. For example, it is respectfully maintained that despite the assertions to the contrary, Laskowski '413 fails to teach or suggest at least the following limitations of claim 1:

a processor adapted to ...

(3) calculate a reflectance ratio between the reflected light value of the test document and the master reflected light value, ...

(6) adjust the master transmitted light value based on the reflectance ratio,

(7) compare the adjusted master transmitted light value to the transmitted light value for the test document, and

(8) generate a doubles signal if the comparison of the adjusted master transmitted light value with the transmitted light value for the test document indicates that more than one document is present.

As Carnes also fails to teach or suggest these features, it is submitted that a *prima facie* case of obviousness has not been established.

Conclusion

It is the Applicants' belief that all of the claims are now in condition for allowance, and action towards that effect is respectfully requested. It is believed that no additional fees are presently due; however, should any additional fees be required (except for payment of the issue

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fee), the Assistant Commissioner is authorized to deduct the fees from Jenkins & Gilchrist, P.C.

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